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In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) - Filing Date Granted mailed on October 27, 2004, enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) - Filing Date Granted. (REQUIRED); and

Twelve (12) formal drawings pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.84.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-2814. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 10/14/2004 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 07/01/2004 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

- The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).
- A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) 1-7 too dark.

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